

AMENDMENT

Claim 1. (previously and currently amended) A solidified ~~hollow~~ article made from at least one thermoplastic composition, said thermoplastic composition comprising:

- (A) a thermoplastic polymeric matrix, and
- (B) short aramid fibers having a diameter of less than or equal to 150 microns, an average length distribution of 0.1 to 8 mm, and a Canadian Standard Freeness of less than or equal to 500 ml; and
said solidified article being hollow and being prepared by blow molding.

Claim 2. (previously canceled)

Claim 3. (original) The article of claim 1, wherein the short aramid fibers are present in an amount of about 0.01 weight % to about 30 weight %, relative to the weight of the thermoplastic polymeric matrix and the short aramid fibers only in the thermoplastic composition.

Claim 4. (original) The article of claim 3, wherein the short aramid fibers are present in an amount of about 0.1 weight % to about 25 weight %, relative to the weight of the thermoplastic polymeric matrix and the short aramid fibers only in the thermoplastic composition.

Claim 5. (original) The article of claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic polymeric matrix comprises at least one thermoplastic polymer including homopolymers, copolymers and terpolymers of polyacetals, polyamides, polyesters, polyurethanes, polyethylene terephthalate glycols, polycarbonates, polyvinyl chlorides, polyacrylates, poly(phenylene ethers), polysulfones, polyolefins, polystyrenes, ethylene tetrafluoroethylene, copolymers of esters and ethers, copolymers of styrene and acrylonitrile, copolymers of acrylonitrile butadiene styrene, blends of polypropylene and

ethylene propylene diene monomer, rubber modified thermoplastic polymers, and mixtures or blends thereof.

Claim 6. (original) The article of claim 5, wherein the thermoplastic polymer includes homopolymers and copolymers of polyacetals, polyamides, polyesters, polyolefins and mixtures or blends thereof.

Claim 7. (original) The article of claim 1, wherein the article has a length greater than or equal to 40 cm.

Claim 8. (original) The article of claim 1, wherein the article has a length greater than or equal to 1 meter.

Claim 9. (currently amended) The article of claim 1, wherein the blow molded article further comprises ~~a blow molded article~~, a co-extruded blow molded article, or a sequential co-extruded blow molded article.

Claim 10. (currently canceled)

Claim 11. (previously amended and currently canceled)

Claim 12. (currently canceled)

~~Claim 13. (currently canceled)~~

Claim 14. (currently canceled)

Claim 15. (currently cancelled)